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Poetry.

EASTER.

BY MARGARET B. ANSTON.

Go back, my soul, to the sorrowful day

When they led the Lord to be crucified;

Follow Him over the story way

By hate betrayed and by love denied;

List, through the silence of ages gone,

To the tears that dropped in that desolate

day.

When the scarlet robe had a deeper dye

From the blood that flowed at the altar's

stern.

When the angels leaped from the frowning sky

And the clouds with their fateful lightnings

came.

Go back, my soul, to the vanished years

List to the ring of the Roman spears.

For few and Roman thought stood

On the awesome mount where the nails were

driven.

Deep to the heart of the shrinking world

Through his hands and feet, in the sight of

heaven.

And the sun grew pale and refused to shine

Whence the dawn rose near to the Man Divine.

O death, that came with the serpent's guile

Through the gates of Eden long ago;

Henceforth we dying, may dare to smile

Full in thy face, may dare to rejoice.

For the Love on the cross that bowed to thee

From the power of Death hath set us free.

Three days in the sepulchre bound He lies

Tenderly comes with you and myrror,

O beautiful woman, that deep-dimmed eyes

Peek from grey olive and deep green fringes

Where the pure white lilies bloom;

Come to the door of the rock-hewn tomb.

"He is not here!" He has left the prison

That had not a fetter to hold Him fast

Life of our life, the Lord hath risen;

The night of our bondage is gone at last.

Sing of the Love that was strong to save;

Sing of the glory beyond the grave!

But think, oh think, on the Eastern morn,

Of the price that the Lord to the utmost

paid.

When his cry, "It is finished," afar was borne

To the heavenly heights and the hallowed

ground.

And with glad heart let thy worship be

O soul of mine, for He died for thee.

He died for thee, and for thee alone

With the thorns that plain on the kingly

brow.

For thee He conquered the last of foes

And the scars of the battle He weareth now.

Oh, sing the Love that was strong to save;

Sing of the glory beyond the grave!

THE FLYING ROLL L-O-D-A-Y

is the newspaper. In calculating the in-

fluence that affect society you can no

more afford to ignore it than you can

ignore the noonday sun or the Atlantic

Ocean.

It is high time that I preach a sermon

expressing my appreciation of what the

newspaper press has done and is doing.

No man living or dead, is or has been so

indebted to it as I am, for it gives me

perpetual audience in every city, town

and neighborhood of Christendom, and

I take this opportunity before God and

the people to thank the editors and pub-

lishers, and compositor and type-setters

of the world over, and I give fair notice

that I shall take every opportunity of

enlarging this list, whether by stenograph

report on the Sabbath, or galley proofs

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